

REMARKS

Applicants have carefully reviewed this Application in light of the Office Action mailed December 8, 2006. At the time of the Office Action, Claims 7, 9-14, 16-24, and 26-30 were pending in this Application and Claims 7, 9-14, 16-24, and 26-30 were allowed. The drawings were objected to under 37 C.F.R. § 1.81(a). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and favorable action in this case.

Objections to the Drawings

The Examiner has objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.81(a), alleging that the drawings do not show every feature of Claims 7, 17 and 26. Applicants traverse the rejection. However, to avoid additional time and expense of obtaining patent protection, Applicants have amended the drawings and specification as set forth on pages 2 and 3 of this response in order to overcome this objection, and respectfully request withdrawal of the objection under 37 C.F.R. § 1.81(a) and full allowance of the Application.

CONCLUSION

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's careful review of the application. Applicants have now made an earnest effort to place this case in condition for allowance in light of the amendments and remarks set forth above. For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the objections and full allowance of Claims 7, 9-14, 16-24, and 26-30.

Applicants believe there are no fees due at this time, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees necessary or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

If there are any matters concerning this application that may be cleared up in a telephone conversation, please contact Applicants' attorney at 512.322.2581.

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